

CLAIMS

What is claimed is:

- 1 **1.** An apparatus for holding an animal, comprising:
2 a container having a substantially circular base, a wall affixed to and rising from
3 the base having a rim opposite the base;
4 at least one fastening device connected to the wall; and
5 a substantially hemispherically shaped cover having one or more counterpart
6 fastening devices corresponding to the one or more fastening devices connected to the
7 wall to attach the cover to the container.

- 1 **2.** An apparatus according to claim 1, wherein the container comprises a pet
2 bed.

- 1 **3.** An apparatus according to claim 1, further comprising a covering for the
2 base.

- 1 **4.** An apparatus according to claim 3, wherein the covering comprises a
2 bedding material with a backing that is impervious to liquid.

- 1 **5.** An apparatus according to claim 1, further comprising handles mounted
2 on the container.

1 6. An apparatus according to claim 1, wherein the container comprises a
2 wicker basket.

1 7. An apparatus according to claim 6, further comprising handles woven into
2 the basket.

1 8. An apparatus according to claim 1, wherein the cover comprises a wire
2 frame substantially hemispherically shaped.

1 9. An apparatus according to claim 1, wherein the cover comprises
2 transparent substantially hemispherically shaped assembly.

1 10. An apparatus according to claim 1, wherein the corresponding fastening
2 devices comprise a male and female buckle connector assembly.

1 11. An apparatus according to claim 1, wherein the fastening devices
2 connected to the wall comprise a fastening device with adjustable tension.

1 12. An apparatus for holding an animal, comprising:
2 a container having a substantially circular base, a wall affixed to and rising from
3 the base having a rim opposite the base;

4 a substantially hemispherically shaped cover having one or more counterpart
5 fastening devices corresponding to the one or more fastening devices connected to the
6 wall to attach the cover to the container; and
7 fastening means to attach the cover to the container.

1 **13.** An apparatus according to claim 12, further comprising a covering for the
2 base.

1 **14.** An apparatus according to claim 13, wherein the covering comprises a
2 bedding material with a backing that is impervious to liquid.

1 **15.** An apparatus according to claim 12, further comprising handles mounted
2 on the container.